



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INVENTOR(S) : Copeland, et al.

TITLE : **A MEDIUM COMPOSITION, METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SELECTIVELY ENHANCING THE ISOLATION OF ANAEROBIC MICROORGANISMS CONTAINED IN A MIXED SAMPLE WITH FACULTATIVE MICROORGANISMS**

APPLICATION NO. : 10/007,739

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EXAMINER : Virginia Allen Portner

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The initial period for responding to the Office Action issued July 28, 2004 expired on October 28, 2004.

The requested extension and fee are as follows:

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<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120.00	\$60.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450.00	\$225.00	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1,020.00	\$510.00	<b>1,020.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1,590.00	\$795.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00	

A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-0308. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

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